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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

For the first time in the history of the American Hibiscus Society you have promoted a First Vice President to the Presidency. Time will tell if it was a wise move.

Many business and pleasure organizations select for their Second Vice President a person who is willing to procede in a normal manner to the First Vice Presidency, and then to the Presidency as time indicates. Most organizations think it is good practice, and our own Society has reached a state of maturity where it might be well to consider this as normal procedure, for, in preparation for this responsibility, and in addition to their other duties, the Second Vice President has the responsibility of handling all promotion for the National organization, and the First Vice President is automatically the Chairman of the Show and Judging Rules Committee.

As your new President, I shall perform my duties to the best of my ability, and with the help of each and every one of the members, let us look forward to a glorious year in which the American Hibiscus Society shall grow and prosper in every way. It is my hope to visit each Chapter, both at their shows, and at least one regular meeting during the coming year.

With the show season starting on August 30th., let us all converge on the new Norman Reasoner Chapter's first show and make it an outstanding success. It will be a Bank sponsored FREE show, the first of a series of such shows, which we hope will increase attendance, interest, and membership.

With all good wishes for a wonderful year for everyone.

"May your plants be prolific, and your blooms perfect."

Very sincerely yours,

Walker Lyon, President